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PLEASE PASS TO JOHN E. BALDWIN, VINNELL CORP. RE HIS CORRESPONDENCE WITH REP. LONG (MD).

1. THE TASK FORCE HAS INVESTIGATED NUMEROUS POSSIBILITIES IN EFFORT TO FIND MR. BALDWIN'S WIFE AND/OR IN-LAWS. REGRET WE HAVE BEEN UNSUCCESSFUL.

2. VERY REMOTE POSSIBILITY EXISTS THAT ONE OF THE FOLLOWING MAY BE MRS. BALDWIN. HE MAY WISH TO CORRESPOND AS WE HAVE BEEN UNABLE TO REACH THEM. ALL ARE NAMED NGUYEN THI VAN.

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3. MR. BALDWIN MAY ALSO WISH TO CONTACT INTERNATIONAL RED CROSS REGARDING HER WHEREABOUTS.

4. HE MAY REINQUIRE OF THE TASK FORCE IN DECEMBER WHEN A FEW MORE NAMES WILL HAVE BEEN ADDED TO OUR LISTS.

5. UNCONFIRMED NEWSPAPER ACCOUNTS STATE THAT INTERNATIONAL MAIL IS OPEN TO AND FROM VIETNAM. MR. BALDWIN SHOULD BE AWARE OF THE POSSIBLE POLITICAL IMPLICATIONS FOR THE RECIPIENT BEFORE THIS COURSE IS TAKEN.

6. TASK FORCE HAS BEEN IN TOUCH WITH W. B. ERDAHL, WHO LAST SAW MRS. BALDWIN IN MID-MARCH. ERDAHL ESTIMATES UNLIKELY SHE WAS EVACUATED AS VERY FEW WERE TAKEN FROM NHA TRANG TO SAIGON AND SUBSEQUENTLY EVACUATED.

7. MATERIALS SUBMITTED BY BALDWIN BEING RETURNED VIA AIR POUCH. REGRET UNABLE TO BE MORE HELPFUL. KISSINGER

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